

OFFICIAL

PORTER WRIGHT MORRIS & ARTHUR LLP

Attorneys and Counselors at Law

41 South High Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215-6194
Main Telephone #: (614) 227-2000
Main Facsimile #: (614) 227-2100

FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

**RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

SENDER'S FACSIMILE RECEIVING NUMBER: (614) 227-2100

MAR 23 2004

If you have received this communication in error or if you have any problems receiving this communication, please call (614) 227-2267 immediately. Thank you.

The information contained in this communication is confidential and subject to attorney-client, work product, or other legal privilege. This communication is intended only for the use of the individual or entity named as recipient. If the reader of this communication is not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication is strictly prohibited.

Date: March 23, 2004 User: 23 Client Matter # 3999692-145715

TOTAL NUMBER OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER SHEET 4

PLEASE DELIVER TO:

Name: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, Attn: Mail Stop RCE
Firm: UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE City: Alexandria VA 22313
Facsimile #: 703/872-9306 Fax Confirmation Copy#: 703/746-8728

Inventor: Terry L. Geer
Serial Number: 09/309,131
Filed: May 10, 1999

For: SYSTEM FOR DEPOSITING AND SUBMITTING COMMINGLED PAPER AND ELECTRONIC
FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS INTO THE PAYMENT SYSTEM AND FOR EFFECTING THE
PAYMENT THEREOF

Group Art Unit: 3624
Examiner: Sandra S. Snapp

In the above referenced application, we are herewith filing: Request for Continued Examination
[Form SB30] (2 pages); and Transmittal Form [PTO/SB/21] (1 page).

Date: March 23, 2004

Edwin M. Baranowski
EDWIN M. BARANOWSKI, Reg. No. 27,482
PORTER, WRIGHT, MORRIS & ARTHUR LLP
41 South High Street
Columbus, OH 43215
614-227-2188

THE ORIGINAL OF THIS DOCUMENT WILL BE SENT BY:

☐ ORDINARY MAIL ☐ OVERNIGHT DELIVERY SERVICE
☐ MESSENGER ☒ THIS WILL BE THE ONLY FORM OF DELIVERY

COLUMBUS/1135038 v.01

04/19/04 SHILLIM 152326
01 FC:01 770.00 DA
02 FC:33 950.00 DA

OFFICIAL

PTO/SB/21 (03-03)

Approved for use through 04/30/2003. OMB 0851-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.


TRANSMITTAL FORM (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	09/309,131
	Filing Date	May 10, 1999
	First Named Inventor	Terry L. Geer
	Art Unit	3624
	Examiner Name	Sandra S. Snapp
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	Attorney Docket No.	3999692-145715

 RECEIVED
 CENTRAL FAX CENTER

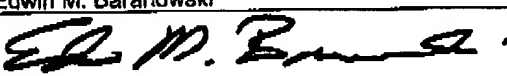
MAR 23 2004

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to a Technology Center (TC) <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
Remarks Request for Continued Examination [Form SB/30] Confirmation copy sent also sent to 703/746-8728.		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Firm or Individual	Edwin M. Baranowski
Signature	Reg. No. 27,482 
Date	March 23, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO at 703/872-9306 on March 23, 2004.			
Typed or printed	Edwin M. Baranowski		
Signature		Date	March 23, 2004

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-766-9199) and select option 2.

PTO/SB/30 (09-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2008. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

Address to:
Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Application Number	09/308,131
Filing Date	May 10, 1999
First Named Inventor	Terry L. Gear
Art Unit	3624
Examiner Name	Sandra S. Snapp
Attorney Docket Number	3899892-145715

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Rely Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☒ Other The amendment after final was filed on March 15, 2004

b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to

a. ☒ Deposit Account No. 16-2326

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)


WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Edwin M. Baranowski	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	27,482
Signature		Date	March 23, 2004

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.

Name (Print/Type)	Edwin M. Baranowski	Sent to facsimile	703/872-9306
Signature		Date	March 23, 2004

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.114. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the form you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.